GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3433
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AMENDMENT IN COASTAL REGULATION ZONE
SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi High Court has criticised the Government over the amendments in the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ), 1991 allowing storage of hazardous materials and construction activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to protect the marine life?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

(SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) : Storage of 13 categories of petroleum products is permitted in the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ). Proposals for such storages are considered by the empowered committee constituted by the Ministry of Surface Transport. While according environmental clearance, it is ensured that necessary environmental safeguards/mitigation measures are incorporated in the project so as to protect the marine life.